GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2468
ANSWERED ON:19.03.2002
NATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL
KINJARAPU YERRANNAIDU

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have sanctioned the funds for Haryana Government for holding a National Youth Festival;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such amount was sanctioned for other States also; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Central Government has released an amount of Rs.75 lakhs as first instalment for holding the 7th National Youth Festival at Hisar during 12-16th January, 2002 and balance will be released on receipt of statement of actual expenditure subject to a ceiling of Rs.1 crore so far as the central grant is concerned.

(c) & (d) : The provision of assistance upto a maximum ceiling of Rs.1 crore was made in the revised scheme of Promotion of National Integration only during the current financial year. In earlier years, State Governments hosting the Festival were provided with financial grants based on a realistic assessment of the estimated expenditure. The assistance provided to the Govts. of Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat for the National Youth Festivals hosted by them during 1998, 1999, 2000 was Rs.50.00 lakh, Rs.50.00 lakh, Rs.48.30 lakh respectively.